

financing to people who simply want to build a building in a pasture or a field. I don't think that will solve our economic development problems either. I don't think it will solve our population problems if we have a population problem. Where I come from we have just about the right number of people. It is less than one per mile. It's very comfortable. We seem to do, we seem to do all right, Senator Beutler. We could use a few trails to get around out back, that's true, but we're generally resourceful enough to get around out back without a lot of guidance from a trail. We are more used to finding our own way without assistance from Game and Parks or others who would direct us where we should go. But at any rate, I really think that ultimately the Nebraska Supreme Court, even if we adopt this language, all of it, all of it, in its silliness, I think the court will be able to see through what this bill does and will simply declare these to be words on paper and I hope declare the bill to be unconstitutional. I don't think any amount of palaver or platitudes can cloak the real purposes. And I'm interested in Senator Withem's comments that he thinks that...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: ...everybody is making a good point with the various amendments and maybe we can discuss language that will accommodate them, but I'm still waiting for the one amendment that he will stand up and say I will support that language. I'm not sure we're going to get to that point because I'm beginning to sense that this piece of legislation is like what I understand the debate over 775 to have been, that the language is untouchable, the language is immutable. Not only can the language not be changed tonight, it can't be changed 10 years from now no matter what damage it does to the State of Nebraska.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Senator Dierks, your light is next, followed by Senator Chambers and Hall.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam President and members of the body, I guess I just continue to be amazed at the way this piece of legislation is moving through here. There seems to be nothing that will slow it down. I'm reminded an awful lot of the 775 debate. There aren't many of us left here that got in on that, but I was one of, I think, ten or maybe eleven people